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1. CONGEN OFFICER CONTACTED JOHN FRYE, PRESIDENT OF GENSTAR MARINE (A LOCAL TUGBOAT COMPANY) AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF SAGUENAY AND CANADIAN SHIPOWNERS LTD. FRYE SAID HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY US-OWNED SHIPPING COMPANIES IN THIS AREA. OTHER THAN TUGBOAT OPERATIONS AND THE REMNANTS OF NORTHLAND NAVIGATION (A DUTCH COMPANY), THERE IS ALMOST NO CANADIAN MERCHANT MARINE ON THIS COAST.

2. THERE ARE TWO MINOR EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE LACK OF US SHIPPING COMPANIES. ONE AMERICAN COMPANY, CROWLEY MARITIME CORP. OF SAN FRANCISCO, WHICH OPERATES IN THE U.S. ARCTIC, ALSO ACTS AS A SILENT PARTNER OF GENSTAR IN THE CANADIAN ARCTIC. IN ADDITION, CROWN ZELLERBACH AND OTHER CANADIAN SUBSIDIARIES OF US CORPORATIONS, MAY OPERATE A NUMBER OF SMALL TUGS AS ANCILLARIES TO THEIR PULP AND PAPER OPERATIONS.
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